



Department of Defense **DIRECTIVE**

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SUBJECT: Centralized Management of Department of Defense Human **ASD(C3I)**
Intelligence **(HUMINT)** Operations

References: (a) Title 10 of the United States Code
(b) The National Security Act of 1947
(c) DOD Directive 5240.2, "DOD Counterintelligence," June 6, 1983
(d) DOD Directive 5137.1, "Assistant Secretary of Defense for Command, Control, Communications, and Intelligence," February 12, 1992
(e) DOD Directive S-5105.29, "Human Resources Intelligence **(HUMINT)** Activities, July 9, 1987
(f) DOD Directive 5240.1, "DOD Intelligence Activities," April 25, 1988

A. PURPOSE

This Directive implements Section 113 of reference (a) and Section 105 (b)(5) of reference (b) to provide for effective management of **Department** of Defense human intelligence activities through the Defense Intelligence Agency, with centralized management and decentralized execution of such activities.

B. APPLICABILITY

1. This Directive **applies** to the Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Military **Departments**, the **Chairman** of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Joint Staff, the Unified and Specified Commands, the Inspector General of the Department of Defense, the Defense Agencies, and the DOD Field Activities (hereafter referred to collectively as "DOD Components").

2. This Directive does not apply to counterintelligence activities conducted under the authority of DOD Directive 5240.2 (reference (c)).

C. DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

The Assistant Secretary of Defense for Command, Control, Communications, and Intelligence **(ASD/C3I)** is hereby delegated the authority and assigned the duties of the Secretary of Defense under Section **105(b)(5)** of reference (b).

D. POLICY AND RESPONSIBILITIES

1. The Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency, as the DOD **HUMINT** Manager and consistent with applicable law and DOD Directives, including DOD Directives 5137.1, S-5105.29, and **5240.1** (references (e), (f), and **(g)**), **shall**:

a. provide operational tasking to DOD **HUMINT** elements in accordance with this Directive.

- b. establish standards and procedures for the conduct of DOD **HUMINT** activities.
- c. assess the effectiveness of conduct of DOD **HUMINT** programs.
- d. establish mechanisms consistent with DOD Directives for the receipt, validation, coordination, approval, and tracking of the satisfaction of DOD **HUMINT** requirements.
- e. assist in increasing the efficiency and effectiveness of DOD **HUMINT** activities and eliminating duplication.
- f. ensure needed **HUMINT** support for the DOD components.
- g. provide for central cover support for DOD **HUMINT** activities.
- h. provide for research and development for DOD **HUMINT** activities.
- i. ensure that the Secretaries of the Military Departments and the commanders in chief of the unified and specified commands are kept fully informed of DOD **HUMINT** capabilities and activities.
- j. **ensure** coordination of DOD **HUMINT** activities with the Director of Central **Intelligence** as appropriate.
- k. to the extent directed by the **ASD/C3I**, represent the **Department** of Defense in inter-agency forums relating to **HUMINT**.

2. To increase efficiency and minimize costs consistent with meeting operational needs, the Secretaries of the Military **Departments**, the commanders of the unified and specified commands, and the Director of the Defense **Intelligence** Agency shall consolidate the **HUMINT** activities of the Military Departments, the unified or specified commands, and the Defense Intelligence Agency into elements to be known as operating bases pursuant to plans that shall be prepared by the **ASD/C3I** and approved by the Secretary of Defense. Such plans shall ensure that each operating base is established as an element of:

- a. a Military Department subject to the authority of the Secretary thereof in accordance with Section 3013, 5013, or 8013 of reference (a), which may include elements with personnel assigned from other Military Departments;
- b. a unified or specified command subject to the authority, direction and control of the commander thereof in accordance with Section 164 of reference (a); or
- c. the Defense Intelligence Agency subject to the authority, direction and control of the Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency.

3. Pursuant to Sections 3013, 5013 and 8013 of reference (a), the Secretaries of the Military **Departments** each shall establish within their respective **Departments** a **HUMINT** requirements and tasking office, which shall, to the extent the **ASD/C3I** determines appropriate, be collocated with the **HUMINT** tasking element of the Defense Intelligence Agency. Each such office, for the Military Department of which it is an element, shall:

a. keep the Secretary of the Military Department concerned fully informed of DOD **HUMINT** capabilities and activities.

b. communicate to the Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency the Military Department's **HUMINT** requirements.

c. receive from the Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency operational **tasking** for DOD **HUMINT** elements of that Military **Department** and immediately and **without** change provide such tasking to such elements.

d. ensure that plans and intelligence architectures of the Military Department concerned appropriately incorporate DOD **HUMINT** capabilities,

4. Pursuant to Section 164 of reference (a), each commander in chief of a unified or specified command shall establish or designate within the command, as an element of the **headquarters** of that command, a **HUMINT** officer. The **HUMINT** officer shall:

a. keep the commander fully informed of DOD **HUMINT capabilities** and activities.

b. communicate to the Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency the command's **HUMINT** requirements, including its requirements for contingency and wartime operations.

c. receive from the Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency operational tasking for DOD **HUMINT** elements of that command and immediately and without change provide such tasking to such elements.

d. ensure that the command's plans and intelligence architectures appropriately incorporate DOD **HUMINT** capabilities.

5. The Director of the Defense **Intelligence Agency** shall make available to the **HUMINT** officers of the unified and specified commands technical advice on **HUMINT** matters.

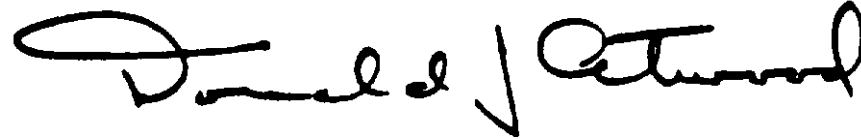
6. A DOD **HUMINT** element shall execute operational tasking received under Section **3.c.** and **4.c.** from the Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency and shall do so with the priority assigned to that operational tasking by the Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency, unless otherwise specifically directed by the Secretary of the Military Department concerned in the case of an element of a Military Department or by the commander in chief concerned in the case of an element of a unified or specified command. In the event of issuance of such specific direction, the Secretary of the Military **Department** concerned or, through the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the commander in chief concerned shall immediately so inform the **ASD/C3I**.

7. All DOD **HUMINT** activities shall be conducted consistent with applicable law and DOD Directives, including Directive S-5105.29 (reference **(e)**), Directive **5240.1** (reference **(f)**), and regulations implementing reference **(f)**.

F. IMPLEMENTATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE

1. The **ASD/C3I** may issue such instructions as may be necessary to implement this Directive. Instructions to the Military Department shall be issued through the Secretaries of the Military Departments. Instructions to the unified and specified commands shall be communicated through the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

2. This Directive shall take effect 30 days after the date of signature.



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Date signed: December 13, 1992